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Contract #: 04-0120F4Cty: SF/Ala Rte: 80 PM: 13.2/13.9File #: 69.28**WELDING INSPECTION REPORT****Resident Engineer:**Pursell, Gary**Address:** 333 Burma Road**City:** Oakland, CA 94607**Report No:** WIR-005752**Date Inspected:** 06-Mar-2009**Project Name:** SAS Superstructure**OSM Arrival Time:** 1845**Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**OSM Departure Time:** 645**Contractor:** Zhenhua Port Machinery Company, Ltd (ZPMC), Changxing Island **Location:** Shanghai, China**CWI Name:** Guo Yan Fei**CWI Present:** Yes No**Inspected CWI report:** Yes No N/A**Rod Oven in Use:** Yes No N/A**Electrode to specification:** Yes No N/A**Weld Procedures Followed:** Yes No N/A**Qualified Welders:** Yes No N/A**Verified Joint Fit-up:** Yes No N/A**Approved Drawings:** Yes No N/A**Approved WPS:** Yes No N/A**Delayed / Cancelled:** Yes No N/A**Bridge No:** 34-0006**Component:** OBG Components**Summary of Items Observed:**

On this date Caltrans OSM Quality Assurance (QA) Inspector George Goulet was present during the times noted above for observations relative to the work being performed.

**Bay 12**

This QA inspector proceeded to Bay 12 in response to a ZPMC notification of witness inspection to perform initial VT and final VT inspections.

This QA Inspector performed final VT of 100% of the area previously tested and accepted by ZPMC Quality Control and ABF personnel. The member is identified as DP-114-002-001~008.

This QA Inspector performed initial VT of 100% of the area previously tested and accepted by ZPMC Quality Control and ABF personnel. The member is identified as DP-334-001-001~008.

**Bay 9 - PMT**

This QA inspector monitored OBG Production Monitoring Test (PMT) #1 for deck panels DP263-001 and DP317-001 at Gantry #1. Prior to PMT #1, the magnetic particle test (MT) of the tack welds was noted on the test panel as having been performed by ZPMC MT Inspector Wang Wei. The visual inspection of tack welds and root gap was performed by ABF Representative Lv Yun (ABF), ZPMC CWI Guo Yan Fei (QC), and this QA inspector.

The start time for welding of PMT #1 was approximately 0026 hours on Saturday, 3/7/09 and the finish time was approximately 0133 hours. The first GMAW pass was aborted because of welding machine problems and this test was not counted by this inspector as a failure because it was not completed. New test specimens were placed on the welding platform and this QA inspector observed ZPMC MT Inspector Wang Wei perform MT the tack welds on all six joints to be welded. The next PMT started at 0111 and proceeded without further apparent incident.

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This QA inspector randomly verified and documented the welding amperage, voltage and travel speed during the gas metal arc welding (GMAW) and submerged arc welding (SAW) processes, welds 1 thru 6 at the completion of both the GMAW root pass and SAW cover pass. The welds were visually inspected by ABF, QC and this QA inspector. QC and ABF informed QA Inspector that all six welds were acceptable and QA inspector concurred. This QA inspector randomly witnessed ZPMC Ultrasonic Testing (UT) inspector, identified as Tang Xing Shan, perform UT on each of the 500 mm test welds for depth of penetration and conformance. This QA inspector selected fifteen designated locations for macroetch sampling per contract requirements. Each macroetch location was stamped by ZPMC personnel with the number 317 and an individual macroetch identifying number for each macroetch. After removal from each of the weld test specimens and polishing of the selected end, the macroetches were evaluated with a 7X optical comparator and a 10X optical comparator and accepted by QC, ABF, and this QA inspector.

All fifteen sample macros appeared to meet requirements and were noted to appear acceptable. See Caltrans U-ribs PMT Inspection Sheet, ZPMC production monitoring test plate inspection report, and Caltrans Macro Etch Log - all dated 3/7/2008 for additional information.

Unless otherwise noted, all work observed on this date appeared to generally comply with applicable contract documents.

### Summary of Conversations:

As noted above, and QA inspector asked QC if all the welding variables observed by him appeared to comply with the appropriate WPS, including the preheat requirements according to thickness of the thickest member being welded. QC showed this QA Inspector that he was carrying the proper temperature sticks to monitor the minimum and maximum preheat and interpass temperatures and replied that all he observed did appear to comply.

### Comments

This report is for the purpose of determining conformance with the contract documents and is not for the purpose of making repair or fit for purpose recommendations. Should you require recommendations concerning repairs or remedial efforts please contact Eric Tsang, 134-8257-0045, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

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<b>Inspected By:</b>	Goulet, George	Quality Assurance Inspector
<b>Reviewed By:</b>	Carreon, Albert	QA Reviewer

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